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00:00:07,349 --> 00:00:04,070
station this is houston are you ready

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00:00:07,359 --> 00:00:10,230
i'm ready

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00:00:20,550 --> 00:00:12,470
cases this is mission control houston

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00:00:29,349 --> 00:00:23,349
station this is greg johnson at the bio

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00:00:34,069 --> 00:00:31,750
i read you good enough uh box it's a

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00:00:41,590 --> 00:00:34,079
little bit of an echo but uh good enough

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00:00:47,670 --> 00:00:44,150
okay scott i want to tell you how very

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00:00:50,310 --> 00:00:47,680
excited personally and professionally i

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00:00:52,709 --> 00:00:50,320
am to be sharing you with the audience

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00:00:54,229 --> 00:00:52,719
here at bio we have an audience of

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00:00:57,910 --> 00:00:54,239
3 000

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00:01:00,470 --> 00:00:57,920
cto's ceos of biotech companies it's the

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00:01:06,230 --> 00:01:00,480

greatest conference of the year

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00:01:11,270 --> 00:01:09,270

well i'm in the u.s laboratory module of

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00:01:13,590 --> 00:01:11,280

the international space station which

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00:01:16,630 --> 00:01:13,600

the space station itself is currently

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00:01:18,950 --> 00:01:16,640

flying over australia and it's uh it's

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00:01:21,510 --> 00:01:18,960

night time there so it's dark outside

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00:01:23,109 --> 00:01:21,520

but this u.s laboratory module is one of

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00:01:25,830 --> 00:01:23,119

many modules we have on the space

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00:01:27,910 --> 00:01:25,840

station it's the primary science module

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00:01:29,749 --> 00:01:27,920

on the what's called the u.s operational

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00:01:31,270 --> 00:01:29,759

segment of the space station but there

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00:01:32,710 --> 00:01:31,280

are other science modules as well

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00:01:35,190 --> 00:01:32,720

there's a european

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00:01:36,870 --> 00:01:35,200

uh space agency module and the uh

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00:01:39,270 --> 00:01:36,880

science module and the japanese have a

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00:01:41,190 --> 00:01:39,280

very large science module

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00:01:42,710 --> 00:01:41,200

and we do research on other parts of the

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00:01:45,350 --> 00:01:42,720

space station not only inside but

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00:01:52,069 --> 00:01:45,360

outside and on the russian segment as

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00:01:56,550 --> 00:01:54,389

yes scott i saw your brother mark last

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00:01:58,389 --> 00:01:56,560

weekend at the commissioning of the uss

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00:02:01,190 --> 00:01:58,399

gabrielle giffords i appreciate you

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00:02:02,069 --> 00:02:01,200

tweeting and acknowledging that very

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00:02:04,230 --> 00:02:02,079

uh

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00:02:05,830 --> 00:02:04,240

that great honor that she deserved for

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00:02:09,029 --> 00:02:05,840

her courage and service

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00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:09,039

um and i've got another uh message from

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00:02:13,030 --> 00:02:10,800

him that i may or may not pass a little

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00:02:14,470 --> 00:02:13,040

later in this transmission but to get

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00:02:15,270 --> 00:02:14,480

started

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00:02:16,869 --> 00:02:15,280

um

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00:02:19,190 --> 00:02:16,879

what do you hope

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00:02:26,550 --> 00:02:19,200

to accomplish in this one year mission

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00:02:30,390 --> 00:02:28,949

well you know there are the

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00:02:33,509 --> 00:02:30,400

you know the mission objectives i hope

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00:02:36,070 --> 00:02:33,519

to accomplish but you know my primary uh

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00:02:38,229 --> 00:02:36,080

uh goal i guess i would say is you know

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00:02:40,470 --> 00:02:38,239

do this in a very professional manner

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00:02:41,990 --> 00:02:40,480
for it to be very safe

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00:02:42,790 --> 00:02:42,000
um

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00:02:45,030 --> 00:02:42,800
and

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00:02:46,470 --> 00:02:45,040
you know after that you know our mission

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00:02:48,630 --> 00:02:46,480
objectives which are very very important

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00:02:51,110 --> 00:02:48,640
and there's different kinds

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00:02:53,589 --> 00:02:51,120
of objectives some are science uh some

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00:02:54,949 --> 00:02:53,599
are more operational in nature but i'm

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00:02:58,550 --> 00:02:54,959
sure you guys are interested in the

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00:03:00,390 --> 00:02:58,560
science part of this uh this flight and

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00:03:02,630 --> 00:03:00,400
you know while i'm up here there's in

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00:03:04,790 --> 00:03:02,640
this course of a year there's only over

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00:03:05,990 --> 00:03:04,800

400 different scientific experiments

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00:03:07,589 --> 00:03:06,000

going on

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00:03:10,149 --> 00:03:07,599

and you know they're in all kinds of

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00:03:11,350 --> 00:03:10,159

disciplines some are are exploration

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00:03:13,509 --> 00:03:11,360

based

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00:03:16,470 --> 00:03:13,519

um and a lot of those are nasa type

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00:03:18,390 --> 00:03:16,480

research but the cases research as as

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00:03:21,110 --> 00:03:18,400

you are probably more aware than i am is

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00:03:23,270 --> 00:03:21,120

uh you know more uh

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00:03:24,789 --> 00:03:23,280

related to how how to improve life on

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00:03:27,030 --> 00:03:24,799

earth and uh

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00:03:29,589 --> 00:03:27,040

and some of that is with regards to this

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00:03:31,670 --> 00:03:29,599

uh you know biotech industry and

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00:03:33,830 --> 00:03:31,680

you know the the study that we're doing

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00:03:36,149 --> 00:03:33,840

with me and misha on this one-year

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00:03:38,789 --> 00:03:36,159

mission and then also with my brother on

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00:03:41,589 --> 00:03:38,799

this uh on this twin study

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00:03:44,149 --> 00:03:41,599

has a lot of applications to

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00:03:46,070 --> 00:03:44,159

uh things on earth with regards to to

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00:03:48,949 --> 00:03:46,080

our health and you know trying to

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00:03:51,030 --> 00:03:48,959

improve our health as we age because you

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00:03:52,149 --> 00:03:51,040

know things change up here much more

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00:03:54,630 --> 00:03:52,159

rapidly

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00:03:57,110 --> 00:03:54,640

so uh you know i hope to accomplish all

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00:03:59,270 --> 00:03:57,120

those those goals um you know there are

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00:04:02,149 --> 00:03:59,280

specific things i hope we learn from it

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00:04:05,030 --> 00:04:02,159

but in a general sense you know get all

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00:04:12,869 --> 00:04:05,040

that accomplished do it safely and you

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00:04:17,670 --> 00:04:15,030

thank you scott and scott referred to

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00:04:19,590 --> 00:04:17,680

cases the center for the advancement of

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00:04:22,230 --> 00:04:19,600

science and space and i'm their

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00:04:24,790 --> 00:04:22,240

executive director and in cooperative

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00:04:27,749 --> 00:04:24,800

agreement with nasa we're furthering

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00:04:30,070 --> 00:04:27,759

nasa's mission uh on this international

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00:04:32,950 --> 00:04:30,080

space station so we're attracting

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00:04:35,510 --> 00:04:32,960

new and innovative users commercial

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00:04:36,629 --> 00:04:35,520

users developing commercial demand

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00:04:39,430 --> 00:04:36,639

for this

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00:04:42,310 --> 00:04:39,440
low earth orbit commercial market

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00:04:45,350 --> 00:04:42,320
and biotech is right in the middle of it

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00:04:48,390 --> 00:04:45,360
so so from what i understand then scott

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00:04:51,670 --> 00:04:48,400
um as far as the twin studies concerned

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00:04:54,150 --> 00:04:51,680
and under and the year-long mission

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00:04:57,030 --> 00:04:54,160
nasa's portion of the mission is to go

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00:04:59,510 --> 00:04:57,040
to the moon go to mars

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00:05:01,430 --> 00:04:59,520
explore the universe

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00:05:03,350 --> 00:05:01,440
but nasa also has a mission and that's

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00:05:04,469 --> 00:05:03,360
where we come in to complement their

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00:05:08,150 --> 00:05:04,479
mission

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00:05:11,749 --> 00:05:08,160
is to solve problems here on the earth

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00:05:14,310 --> 00:05:11,759

and so um you know as we try to

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:14,320

understand how the body reacts uh in

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00:05:18,070 --> 00:05:15,759

microgravity

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00:05:20,390 --> 00:05:18,080

um we're going to learn how to live in

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00:05:21,590 --> 00:05:20,400

space for longer durations

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00:05:24,150 --> 00:05:21,600

so scott

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00:05:26,550 --> 00:05:24,160

can you describe some of the physical

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00:05:29,430 --> 00:05:26,560

characteristics that change

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00:05:30,790 --> 00:05:29,440

uh when you're in space i have a funny

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00:05:32,870 --> 00:05:30,800

story with your brother that i won't

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00:05:35,350 --> 00:05:32,880

share but what are some other things

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00:05:37,590 --> 00:05:35,360

that you can share with us that change

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00:05:41,350 --> 00:05:37,600

when you live for long periods of time

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00:05:44,550 --> 00:05:42,870

all right so so i have some stories

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00:05:46,550 --> 00:05:44,560

about you i won't share either then but

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00:05:49,110 --> 00:05:46,560

i was thinking of it but since you won't

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00:05:52,070 --> 00:05:49,120

share those that my brother told

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00:05:53,749 --> 00:05:52,080

you i won't share my stories about you

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00:05:54,790 --> 00:05:53,759

so yeah there are a lot of things that

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00:05:56,150 --> 00:05:54,800

change

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00:05:56,950 --> 00:05:56,160

on our uh

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00:05:59,189 --> 00:05:56,960

you know

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00:06:02,070 --> 00:05:59,199

with our physiology in space that's

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00:06:05,110 --> 00:06:02,080

similar to how people change

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00:06:07,909 --> 00:06:05,120

as they age you know the number one

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00:06:09,670 --> 00:06:07,919

one that people talk about and that

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00:06:12,469 --> 00:06:09,680

you know we've researched up here for a

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00:06:14,870 --> 00:06:12,479

long time is bone loss uh that occurs

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00:06:16,550 --> 00:06:14,880

much more rapidly in space

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00:06:19,189 --> 00:06:16,560

than it does on earth and it's something

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00:06:21,430 --> 00:06:19,199

similar to what you know an elderly

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00:06:23,189 --> 00:06:21,440

person might experience and from

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00:06:24,710 --> 00:06:23,199

understanding uh

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00:06:27,749 --> 00:06:24,720

you know the mechanism behind this in

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00:06:31,189 --> 00:06:27,759

space and and how to mitigate it uh we

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00:06:33,510 --> 00:06:31,199

can develop uh new drugs uh to prevent

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00:06:35,909 --> 00:06:33,520

that new uh methodologies

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00:06:37,909 --> 00:06:35,919

and that's actually been accomplished

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00:06:40,309 --> 00:06:37,919
already there are things there there's a

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00:06:42,550 --> 00:06:40,319
drug on the market that was uh

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00:06:45,749 --> 00:06:42,560
you know the direct result of research

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00:06:48,230 --> 00:06:45,759
that was conducted on the space station

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00:06:49,589 --> 00:06:48,240
same thing with muscles we you know if

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00:06:51,830 --> 00:06:49,599
we didn't do anything about it we would

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00:06:53,189 --> 00:06:51,840
lose muscle mass up here now fortunately

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00:06:55,670 --> 00:06:53,199
we have some good exercise equipment

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00:06:57,990 --> 00:06:55,680
that prevents that but also from you

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00:06:59,830 --> 00:06:58,000
know how that uh you know process occurs

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00:07:02,629 --> 00:06:59,840
here we can learn things about different

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00:07:05,990 --> 00:07:02,639
types of muscle wasting diseases and not

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00:07:07,830 --> 00:07:06,000

just learn them with uh with people uh

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00:07:10,629 --> 00:07:07,840

you know just today i was cleaning up

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00:07:12,790 --> 00:07:10,639

from our cases rodent research we were

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00:07:14,469 --> 00:07:12,800

doing here over the last couple of

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00:07:16,550 --> 00:07:14,479

months and it was very very interesting

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00:07:17,589 --> 00:07:16,560

very successful

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00:07:19,029 --> 00:07:17,599

and

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00:07:21,029 --> 00:07:19,039

you know there's a lot we're going to

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00:07:24,070 --> 00:07:21,039

learn from that i think but we also

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00:07:26,070 --> 00:07:24,080

uh demonstrated our ability to do that

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00:07:28,230 --> 00:07:26,080

type of animal research on board the

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00:07:31,270 --> 00:07:28,240

space station which i understand

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00:07:33,029 --> 00:07:31,280

is a you know critical to many of the

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00:07:34,790 --> 00:07:33,039

different kinds of uh you know

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00:07:37,110 --> 00:07:34,800

treatments and drugs and things that are

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00:07:37,990 --> 00:07:37,120

developed for for people

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00:07:40,550 --> 00:07:38,000

uh

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00:07:42,790 --> 00:07:40,560

you know to treat treat their problems

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00:07:43,589 --> 00:07:42,800

we have an eye issue for instance that

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00:07:45,350 --> 00:07:43,599

uh

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00:07:46,950 --> 00:07:45,360

you know as you asked the earlier

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00:07:48,869 --> 00:07:46,960

question one what's one of the things i

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00:07:50,469 --> 00:07:48,879

hope to learn and that's one of the

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00:07:51,350 --> 00:07:50,479

things you know being up here for a long

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00:07:53,350 --> 00:07:51,360

time

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00:07:55,189 --> 00:07:53,360

uh we're and we're doing some pretty

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00:07:56,790 --> 00:07:55,199

cutting edge research in that regard

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00:07:59,510 --> 00:07:56,800

doing

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00:08:01,909 --> 00:07:59,520

a bunch of imaging ultrasound a bunch of

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00:08:04,629 --> 00:08:01,919

other scans on our um

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00:08:07,589 --> 00:08:04,639

our the structure of our eye these uh

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00:08:09,909 --> 00:08:07,599

devices oct tonometry while we're in

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00:08:12,710 --> 00:08:09,919

this russian low lower body negative

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00:08:14,950 --> 00:08:12,720

pressure device

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00:08:20,309 --> 00:08:17,350

you know those three things the effects

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00:08:22,309 --> 00:08:20,319

of you know radiation on our physiology

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00:08:24,230 --> 00:08:22,319

is another important one and the study

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00:08:25,830 --> 00:08:24,240

i'm doing with my brother the twin study

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00:08:27,510 --> 00:08:25,840
is going to look at you know how this

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00:08:30,150 --> 00:08:27,520
environment including the radiation

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00:08:32,070 --> 00:08:30,160
affects us on a genetic level so you

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00:08:33,829 --> 00:08:32,080
know this is really an incredible

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00:08:35,829 --> 00:08:33,839
facility we have up here a lot of

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00:08:38,630 --> 00:08:35,839
capability especially with the animal

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00:08:40,469 --> 00:08:38,640
research we have now especially

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00:08:42,469 --> 00:08:40,479
also with uh you know the imaging

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00:08:44,389 --> 00:08:42,479
technology the ability to do ultrasounds

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00:08:45,750 --> 00:08:44,399
up here and other types of imaging is

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00:08:47,829 --> 00:08:45,760
really

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00:08:55,910 --> 00:08:47,839
turn this into a state-of-the-art

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00:09:00,870 --> 00:08:58,150

scott as you described one of the great

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00:09:03,910 --> 00:09:00,880

challenges is for us to

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00:09:07,350 --> 00:09:03,920

uh take the best industry practices on

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00:09:08,550 --> 00:09:07,360

the ground and translate those practices

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00:09:10,870 --> 00:09:08,560

in space

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00:09:12,790 --> 00:09:10,880

so we can take advantage of this

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00:09:15,509 --> 00:09:12,800

one-of-a-kind asset

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00:09:17,590 --> 00:09:15,519

asset that's up in space continuous

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00:09:20,150 --> 00:09:17,600

microgravity

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00:09:21,430 --> 00:09:20,160

you just can't get that here on the

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00:09:23,030 --> 00:09:21,440

earth

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00:09:24,230 --> 00:09:23,040

i'm going to slide ahead we're running

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00:09:26,470 --> 00:09:24,240

out of time so i'm going to go to

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00:09:28,870 --> 00:09:26,480

question number five i'd like you to

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00:09:31,030 --> 00:09:28,880

talk a little bit about the commercial

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00:09:34,310 --> 00:09:31,040

players up there i understand there's a

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00:09:36,870 --> 00:09:34,320

couple commercial projects right now

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00:09:39,350 --> 00:09:36,880

in the biotech uh you you talked about

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00:09:42,150 --> 00:09:39,360

the muscle wasting project uh can you

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00:09:45,269 --> 00:09:42,160

share any others uh that are up there

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00:09:47,350 --> 00:09:45,279

because what we have here is an amazing

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00:09:49,590 --> 00:09:47,360

opportunity through cases these

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00:09:51,670 --> 00:09:49,600

commercial companies have access to the

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00:09:57,509 --> 00:09:51,680

space station for the next nine and

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00:10:02,310 --> 00:09:59,750

well like i said earlier there's uh

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00:10:04,949 --> 00:10:02,320

there's while i'm here there's over 400

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00:10:07,509 --> 00:10:04,959

different types of experiments and

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00:10:09,430 --> 00:10:07,519

you know my primary responsibility is

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00:10:12,630 --> 00:10:09,440

being the operator of these experiments

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00:10:14,870 --> 00:10:12,640

which means uh you know doing what the

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00:10:18,069 --> 00:10:14,880

principal investigator wants me to do it

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00:10:20,150 --> 00:10:18,079

to do it per the procedure and you know

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00:10:22,790 --> 00:10:20,160

get the research done and get the data

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00:10:24,790 --> 00:10:22,800

and get it uh down to the ground so

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00:10:26,550 --> 00:10:24,800

talking about uh specific biotech

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companies and uh

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00:10:30,790 --> 00:10:29,600

and uh you know specific uh experiments

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00:10:32,710 --> 00:10:30,800

of the

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00:10:35,030 --> 00:10:32,720

400 that are on board i'm really not

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00:10:37,269 --> 00:10:35,040

prepared to do that right now what i

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00:10:40,069 --> 00:10:37,279

what i will say though is that we have

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00:10:42,230 --> 00:10:40,079

some very skilled operators up here that

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00:10:43,750 --> 00:10:42,240

uh you know one of their

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00:10:46,710 --> 00:10:43,760

they're very well trained in their

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00:10:48,310 --> 00:10:46,720

primary uh responsibility in this area

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00:10:50,310 --> 00:10:48,320

is getting the science done the way the

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00:10:52,550 --> 00:10:50,320

researcher wants and that's you know

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00:10:54,630 --> 00:10:52,560

something that i uh

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00:10:58,310 --> 00:10:54,640

i value i think is very important i

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00:11:00,470 --> 00:10:58,320

think my colleagues share that and

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00:11:02,550 --> 00:11:00,480

and you know it's one of the the great

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00:11:03,829 --> 00:11:02,560

things about the space station is uh

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00:11:05,590 --> 00:11:03,839

there's a lot of great things about this

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00:11:12,550 --> 00:11:05,600

place but one of them obviously is the

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00:11:17,829 --> 00:11:15,110

thank you scott um and we'll probably

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00:11:20,630 --> 00:11:17,839

talk more about that uh the specific

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00:11:23,110 --> 00:11:20,640

commercial examples uh for example merck

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00:11:25,269 --> 00:11:23,120

has a project up there and others

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00:11:26,870 --> 00:11:25,279

but we've got one more minute before i

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00:11:29,350 --> 00:11:26,880

lose you

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00:11:31,750 --> 00:11:29,360

what's one thing that we currently

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00:11:34,310 --> 00:11:31,760

don't know that you hope to learn

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00:11:39,430 --> 00:11:34,320

in the next nine or eight or nine months

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00:11:43,990 --> 00:11:41,430

you know we've had people stay on the

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00:11:46,230 --> 00:11:44,000

mir space station for a long period of

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00:11:48,710 --> 00:11:46,240

time you know a year or a little bit

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00:11:50,870 --> 00:11:48,720

longer but that was a long time ago and

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00:11:53,110 --> 00:11:50,880

uh you know not only the russians but

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00:11:54,629 --> 00:11:53,120

also us back then did not have the type

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of imaging

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technology and uh you know uh the

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ability to get the type of data that we

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can now

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on uh

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you know on our human health and

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00:12:08,310 --> 00:12:05,839

performance and physiology

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00:12:09,590 --> 00:12:08,320

and you know it's in the last 20 years

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it's really

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gr as the people in that room would know

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has really grown significantly so what i

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hope to learn is uh you know whether

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there's a cliff out there is there a

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00:12:21,509 --> 00:12:18,880

cliff

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uh with regards to our physiology as we

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go from six months to a year or longer

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00:12:27,030 --> 00:12:24,720

and

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00:12:28,870 --> 00:12:27,040

if there is how do we mitigate those so

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00:12:30,790 --> 00:12:28,880

we can explore

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00:12:37,030 --> 00:12:30,800

further away from earth than we've gone

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well thank you very much for your time

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and at this point i'd like to turn it

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station this is houston acr that

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